

# FREDERICK COUNTY HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION

CITIZENS SERVICES BUILDING

401 Sagner Ave.

Frederick, MD 21701

## **July 29 , 2021 Meeting**

- I. A virtual online meeting was held and called to order by Chair Mari Lee.
- II. The following members and others were present: Mari Lee, Lisa Clark, Annette Breiling, Cindy Shubin, Veronica Lowe, Irene Packer-Halsey and Lee Whisner. Keith Merkey with the Maryland Commission on Civil Rights, and Human Relations Department staff members Pat Fleet and Miles Ward. Liaisons Chief Jason Lando from the City of Frederick Police Department and Dana Falls from the Frederick County Public Schools were also in attendance.
- III. The minutes from the July 2021 meeting were approved by unanimous vote with a motion made by Lisa Clark and a second from Veronica Lowe.
- IV. Liaison Reports  
Chief Jason Lando from the City of Frederick Police Department reported that they have been collaborating with the Boys and Girls Club. The Crisis Car has been running since July 1, there is a ununiformed police officer, a mental health worker and a paramedic in the car, they are now running 4 hours a day 5 days a week as a pilot program. They are hopeful that this will become full time in January.  
They have assigned officers as multi-cultural liaisons in 5 communities thought-out the county. The communities being served are Spanish, Asian American, African American, Deaf and Hard of Hearing and LGBTQ.
- V. Officers' reports  
On behalf of the treasurer Pat Fleet reported that the current balance of HRC funds is \$4,550.00
- VI. The Executive Committee met on July 13 to discuss the agenda for tonight's meeting.
- VII. Action items:

- a. The HRC will not have a table at Asian American Health Fair on October 16 however members are encouraged to volunteer by going to their website and signing up.
  - b. The HRC will have a table at the Asbury UMC Block Party Saturday August 28 – 11am – 3pm. Contact Pat to sign up.
  - c. Pat will send out a poll to see what date works best for most members to participate in a AARCH history walk.
  - d. HRC members decide to continue to meet through WebEx until January and then reevaluate.
  - e. With a motion from Annette Breiling and a second from Veronica Lowe, the Hate Has no Business Here Resolution passed unanimously. The HRC will host an exhibit of art prepared by local children, and an opening reception, at the Delaplaine Art Center. There were some recommended changes for the permission form and the document will be changed accordingly.
- VIII. Dana Falls from the Frederick County School Board reported that in partnership with SHIP, 70 students that were experiencing instability regarding housing were being honored for competing the summer program. Some students from prior programs served as mentors. All of the schools have been working this summer on recovery. The focus for this year will be on Whole Child.
- IX. Miles Ward reported that since the last meeting he has received 17 calls for information and assistance. Of those calls one involved disability and one race with public accommodations.
- X. Members that chose to do so gave brief comments.
- XI. The meeting was adjourned.

*These minutes were prepared by the Human Relations Department.*